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Our City Council Votes Itself In!

COMMENT

By the Editor

For fourteen months the Point Richmond Progress has carried on the fight for right and justice, as we see it, for the taxpayers of Richmond. And last Monday night, at City Council meeting, finally the constant stress of facts with which this newspaper has, figuratively "dynamited" the roots has begun to be felt—and the stump has started to move!

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Now, let us see what these facts are:

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Fact No. 1.—It is a fact that our city council met for years in secret sessions behind closed doors and voted on vital isues, and that—according to councilmen "pressure" was brought to bear so that those who voted in the minority in the back room were advised to make it unanimous "out in front" so it would look well to the voters.

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Fact No. 2.—The Parr Terminal Company was given a lease on all the harbor facilities owned by the city in 1927 with the sole consideration that that company "will develop as large an amount of commerce as possible which shall pass in and out of said harbor facilities." Now, the records at the city hall, submitted by the Parr Company, plainly show that whereas business of certain oil companies in considerable amount was handled at Municipal Wharf No. 1, one of the said harbor facilities, before July 1931, this business was not handled at Wharf No. 1 after that time but on the contrary shows on the records of the company at Parr's private Point San Pablo Wharf!

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Fact No. 3.—The government of our city of Richmond, California, is vested in a council of nine members, only three of whom can be elected at any one time—unless by recourse to the recall. There is a note of despondency among average voters in Richmond because of this, for they say, "What difference does it make who we elect, if we are not satisfied with our government? We can never elect a majority at any election, anyway." And, the Progress believes that this undemocratic condition of our city government is largely responsible for the Parr fiasco.

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Now, that is the kind of "dirt" this newspaper is alleged to have been throwing!

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In the name of all that's wonderful, citizens of Richmond, can we stomach such conditions without protest? No! No!! NO!!! Let those who will, call us whatever names they will—Washington and Jefferson and Franklin weren't exactly praised by the Tories, you will remember—that makes no difference to us, our conscience is clear, we will continue to fight for the right and justice for the taxpayers of Richmond as long and as hard as we can—"and no one can do more."

We welcome help from whatever source; the council, our city officials, solid substantial citizens,

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BEST LAUGH OF THE WEEK

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WAS WHEN—Somebody on St. Patrick's Day put a yellow flower in Mike Kelly's car when he was doing his timekeeping on a CWA project. (And we wouldn't put it past Tom Devaney to have been mixed up in this affair, neither.) Don't miss it, or you'll regret it.

The Big St. Patrick's Dance give by the Y. M. I. and Y. L. I. exceeded all former efforts, over 450 people being present.

VETERANS WILL PRODUCE "JOURNEY'S END"

Richmond is promised the histronic treat extraordinary when the V. F. W. and Spanish War Vets put on their big show April 5th and 6th at the High School. Such outstanding footlight favorites as Archie Winchole, Cliff Anglim, Leo Marcollo, and others have been assembled to portray the characters in "Journey's End."

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY'S MILKY WAY By Todd

SPECIAL TO THE PROGRESS

Martinez, Feb. 23rd.—To those of us that reside in Martinez in the shadow of the courthouse, who can hear and see our county political machine ever grinding and never stopping in action—that machine which for nearly a half-century has been so politically powerful as to regulate the sun, tell the moon to stand still, and lighten the stars in the "milky way," making them rise or descend at its will and command, and can even cut the tail of Halley's Comet—yes, to us it is nothing more than a perpetuation of wonders and astonishment; but to you, who reside in Richmond, and can only see the light in the far distance, the twinkling and the grandeur of the thousands of stars that makes up our political "milky way," to you we say and say it like Mae West, "Come up and see it sometime."

RICHMOND POST OF LEGION

A travelogue, featuring pictures of Yellowstone Park, delivered by William Follett, president of the Richmond Camera Club, was the feature of the American Legion meeting last night. Commander Earl Davis presided, and reports that membership in Post No. 10 is now close to the three hundred mark.

"Patronize Your Local Merchant"

Election

There is just one week left before the election for the Richmond Union High School trustees. Chairman A. A. Hughes and Trustee Robert Collins are the incumbents who stand for election.

It would seem from our viewpoint that the principal issue in the campaign centers around Hughes, who has been characterized by his strong, independent action on the board; and forces

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Municipal Solons Decide To Reinstate Secret Sessions

After fifteen years of service as a Councilman, and many more years as a Standard Oil Company employee, W. W. Scott announced at last Monday night's council meeting that he was "getting tired of being just a rubber stamp." Well, a good many of us voters and taxpayers have suspected that for a long time; but nobody wished to say anything until he declared himself.

City Engineer Ed Hoffman was the unwitting cause of the declaration. It seems that Ed had prepared some figures from which Colonel Skegg, highway chief, had changed his mind about the relative importance of streets in the Richmond network. Scott believed that the figures should have been submitted to the council as a body; and with the declaration that he "was getting tired of being a rubber stamp" and to cure the condition Scott moved to go back to the old method of secret committee meetings of the whole council before every regular Monday night meeting. Councilwoman Chandler immediately seconded the motion.

On the roll call, Councilman Ripley emphatically voted "no" because he had been elected on a platform to transact the people's business in the open. "As far as I am concerned if we have got anything to discuss we can bring it up right now," he said. Councilman Tiller said the committees he was on had been having their meetings before council meeting all along,, anyway, and he passed. Mrs. Chandler voted "yes." Imbach decidely "no." Hinkley voted "yes" but his important qualification that no voting was to be done in committee was incorporated in the motion. Meyer voted "yes." Ludewig voted "no" though he was in favor of the meetings but he made it plain that council meetings will continue to start promptly at 8:00 o'clock. Mayor Johnson voted "yes." Roll call showed 5 in favor of and 3 against and Tiller stated he would have voted "yes."

And then . . . the editor . . . of the Progress . . . asked whether the press would attend the meetings——$¼*]-?⅛(*!$%——migosh, I never knew there were two such beautiful papers in the world as our dailies; but Dante, himself, couldn't evidently have found adjectives low-down enough to describe our infernal weekly, the Point Richmond Progress. In other words, Councilwoman Chandler for the first time paid us her compliments!!!

And so it came to pass that the Richmond Council will once more have its secret meetings, beloved by certain councilmen.

Now, possibly, the Progress has been wrong in its platform to uphold the American doctrine of "open covenants openly arrived at" . . . ?? . . at any rate, Councilman Scott, et al, by their assertions Monday night made it perfectly clear that they do not feel capable of conducting Council meetings without their weekly secret sessions. And so, if the city is to retain the services of certain councilmen who confess that they cannot do the public meetings entirely in the open, we must submit to their secret sessions. Isn't that logic?

Nevertheless, with the amendments proposed by Councilman Hinkley and Ludewig—which correct the old abuses—and the fact the Ripley and Imbach have shown such independent spirit, the Progress feels that if anything similar to the Parr Lease or the Great Northern resolution comes up in the "star chamber" we can, at least, depend upon a strong minority to bring the matter out in the open before the public.

Mrs. Lee Convalescing

We are happy to report that our good friend, Mrs. R. G. Lee, of Idaho Street, is now recovering from her operation, and will be allowed to receive her friends next week.

STEPHEN DETLOWS HONORED AT HOUSEWARMING

Hundreds of friends gathered at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Detlow, popular distributor of Golden Glow Beer, on Chanslor Avenue, last Saturday night.

Melodious songs by the Richmond Maennerchor surprised the popular couple, and after the house warming the entire party returned to the Maennerchor Hall where a delicious banquet was served, and toasts were made by leading officials of the brewery in Oakland and their wives and all friends. Singing and dancing to a late hour the party was one of the most successful ever held in Richmond. Success to you and Mrs. Detlow, Steve!

SCIOTS ENTERTAINED BY HARBOR LODGE

Monday night was Sciots night at Harbor Lodge of Masons, when the Richmond Pyramid was entertained and refreshments were served. Dr. L. R. Sears, worthy master, presided.

OUTLAWS OF EDEN

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SYNOPSIS

At the close of the Mexican war, Robin Kershaw, with his bride, rode into northeastern California. Here he found an ideal valley for ranching and cattle raising. They christened it Eden Valley. Below Eden Valley is a less valuable tract which Kershaw's wife names Forlorn Valley. Joel Hensley settles in the lower half of the valley. There is bad blood over fences and water. Kershaw kills Hensley and the blood-feud is on. By 1917, Rance Kershaw, his son Owen, and daughter Lorry are all that remains of one clan. Nate Tichenor is the sole survivor on the Hensley side. Returning, after an absence of nine years, he goes to help Lorry in her car and finds her father has died of heart disease. Silas Babson controls the Forlorn Valley settlement through his bank. He schemes to control the irrigation and hydro-electric possibilities of Eden Valley. The banker proposes to play Nate against Lorry, assuming that they are carrying on the old feud, in this way getting control of lands necessary to the project. Nate, however, has no intention of carrying on the feud. He tells Lorry that he and Owen, Lorry's brother, met in France just before Owen was killed.

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"Nothing, Miss Lorry. His face sort of twisted. You see, we were all exhausted and hungry and thirsty and we'd been through a lot of mud and blood and I suppose we each had the same thought—that the Hensley-Kershaw feud was a pitiful thing. I know I had a vision of Eden Valley just then. Perhaps Owen did, too, because he commenced to cry silently; and then he came toward me and I commenced to cry, too. We didn't say anything, because there was nothing to say; just leaned against each other and thumped each other's backs and were quiet about it. Owen walked beside me up the road a little, his arm through mine; and finally he said: 'Nate, maybe my dog tag will beat me back to Eden Valley. But if you take care of yourself, you're liable to go back with both your dog tags; and when you do, call on the

"That Affected Him Very Deeply and He Dragged Me Off the Road and We Swore Blood Brotherhood."

old man and Lorry and tell them it's an order from me that you're to stay for dinner.'"

"Did he say anything about the water?"

"Yes, he said we were to have it and that he'd write home about it as soon as he got the opportunity. So I told him you'd already promised to let my people have it and that pleased him. And I promised him I'd be a good neighbor and fight as hard for the Kershaws hereafter as our clan had ever fought against them. That affected him very deeply and he dragged me off the road and we swore blood brotherhood, each to the other—and then we embraced like two sentimental Frenchmen and were ashamed of it because we were both hillbillies—and I went on with my section and he went back and flopped with his weary squad—and here I am, and I've been a long time getting here."

"Why did you delay, Nate?"

"I kept remembering him"—he pointed to the bedroom door—"and how he spoke to me that morning I came to ask for the water. I was afraid he'd never understand—so I thought I'd wait and not bother him and gradually inculcate in him the belief that I wasn't a bad sort of citizen. I see now that was poor strategy."

"Life," the girl said drearily, "is a game that is played to be lost."

His hand strayed over and imprisoned hers. "Poor little sister!" he murmured. "So hopeless and bitter—and the sun just rising over Eden after a long eclipse. Life may be a game that is played to be lost, but we'll play it like sportsmen and go smiling to our defeat."

CHAPTER VI

NATE TICHENOR slept at the Bar H that night, but returned to the Circle K early next morning, with two men he had picked up in Valley Center. He set them at once to the task of digging Rance Kershaw's grave in the family cemetery, Lorry Kershaw pointing out to them the desired spot. About noon the coffin arrived from Valley Center and he helped the man who delivered it place Kershaw in it. Then he lunched with Lorry and Miss Bachman. At one-thirty he and Lorry hitched a team to a wagon and he drove it around and tied the team in front of the house. At two o'clock the girl met his inquiring glance bravely and said:

"We might as well proceed, Nate. Nobody's coming to my father's funeral."

With the aid of two of the hired men he carried Rance Kershaw out to the wagon and, mounting the seat, drove his late enemy on the latter's last pilgrimage, while Lorry, Miss Bachman, and the two laborers followed in the Kershaw car. At the grave Tichenor read the funeral service, the men covered the grave. Tichenor gave them each a ten-dollar bill and with Lorry and Miss Bachman returned to the house.

He was rather proud of the manner in which Lorry had carried on, even though he had expected her to exhibit the traditional courage of her clan. Throughout the remainder of the afternoon he sat with the two women in the ranch house veranda and was talkative to a degree only excusable in his own mind because he had the customary masculine belief that it was his duty to keep Lorry's mind off her troubles.

The two days that followed Rance Kershaw's funeral were spent by Nate Tichenor at the Bar H headquarters, until his old superintendent, Rube Tenney, should arrive and, with his wife, assume the duty of looking after Lorry Kershaw's affairs and keeping her company. He spent those two days looking over his decayed estate and formulating plans for its restoration, but in the midst of these thoughts his mind constantly shuttled back to a consideration of Lorry Kershaw and her affairs. He did not know Silas Babson except by sight; hence, lacking knowledge of the man's character, he was at a loss to know why Babson had so suddenly turned on the Kershaws. Was it possible he had purchased the mortgage because he feared the holder of it might grant an extension? If so, then Babson desired it, not as an investment, but as a weapon. Nate decided finally to try a shot in the dark and halt Babson's operations before they had fairly started.

The inability to puzzle out a trail had always annoyed him; he knew, too, it must be annoying and harassing Lorry Kershaw to a far greater extent.

She was a fine girl, and if he was going to be her neighbor he desired her friendship, not only for both their sakes but for the sake of all the Hensleys and Kershaws who had died with their boots on. He'd promised Owen Kershaw he'd wave the olive branch, if and when he should get back to Eden Valley. . . . What a fine-looking lad that Owen had been! . . . All man . . . unexpectedly sentimental. . . . Well, he'd been out of Eden Valley to a private school for a few years. . . . He'd been civilized.

"Yes, Owen," Tichenor soliloquized, "it is hard to accept too many favors from a traditional enemy. The suspicion, distrust, and dislike of a half century aren't to be eradicated in a day . . . and she did throw my check in the fire! Well, she has something I want and I'm willing to pay for it and pay heavily. . . . That cursed feud is dead and I'll not revive it with a lawsuit. Why rub into the girl the knowledge that I'm rolling in money while she's bankrupt?"

Forthwith he motored into Gold Run and telephoned to his attorney in San Francisco. "Tichenor speaking, Paddon. Listen carefully. Ranceford Kershaw is dead and has left a bankrupt estate to his sole heir, a daughter named Lorraine. But two years ago he gave a deed of gift to his daughter of those four thousand acres I spoke to you about—you have the legal description. Well, Lorraine Kershaw filed that deed of gift for record very recently, as I discovered when running down the title at the court house in Gold Run. The local bank holds thirty thousand dollars' worth of Rance Kershaw's notes, unsecured, overdue and with interest in default, and the president and controlling owner of that bank holds also an overdue first mortgage in the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, with a year's interest in default. In addition the Kershaw estate owes the Bar H Land and Cattle company more than three hundred thousand dollars. The bank and the banker are going to foreclose, but the Bar H isn't."

"Good news," the lawyer interjected, as Nate Tichenor paused for breath. "It would seem that the girl is not in a position to hold you up, so you ought to get that four thousand acres cheap."

"Precisely. But I'm not going to give her the opportunity to begin to think she can hold me up; there'll be no argument as to the price. I'm mailing my bank in San Francisco today a check in its favor for four hundred thousand dollars, with instructions to issue a certified check in favor of Lorraine Kershaw and send it over to your office. Meanwhile, prepare a deed from Lorraine Kershaw to the Mountain Valley Power company for that four thousand acres—"

"Why not do a little trading? Offer the girl twenty an acre and work up."

"Listen Paddon. You transact my legal business for me, but I do not need you for my general manager. That land is worth four hundred thousand dollars to me if I can get it without a fight and without leaving a bad taste in Lorry Kershaw's mouth. I can afford to pay for my fancies. I have a fancy for this four thousand acres, and I fancy it now! But I do not wish to be known in the premises, so do not come up yourself to close this deal. The girl would suspect collusion. Understand?"

"Aye, aye, sir."

The following afternoon a livery car from Gold Run arrived at the ranch, bearing Mr. Rube Tenney, Mrs. Rube Tenney, and two little Tenneys, a boy and a girl. Mr. Tenney, in his younger days, had been a Hensley bodyguard, willing (albeit never called upon to do so) to kill a Kershaw out of loyalty to the bread he ate. He was riding under Nate Tichenor's father, and when the latter died was elevated to the position of ranch superintendent, which position he had held with credit and honor until Nate Tichenor had gone out of the cattle business.

"Well, I got your wire ordering me to report, Nate," Rube Tenney announced. "So I came a-runnin'."

Tichenor smiled. When the Bar H retirement had left Tenney without a job, Nate had financed his old superintendent in the lease of a ranch and a band of two thousand sheep. Sheep were and always had been repugnant to Rube Tenney, but he had worried along with the nuisances and even during those lean years had managed to make more than a living off them."

"You left a good man in charge of your sheep, I hope, Rube?"

"I sold 'em to a good man. My lease was expiring in October, an' after three bad feed years I reckoned I'd better quit before my sheep died o' starvation." He handed Nate a check. "There's the money you staked me to. I got a few thousand over an' above that.

"Now's a fine time to git back into the cattle business," Mr. Tenney went on. "Prices is advancin' but you can still stock up cheap."

"I'm not going back into the cattle business, Rube. But you are. You're to be riding boss of the Circle K—on the salary of a ranch superintendent."

"Ah! Closin' in on them Kershaws, eh?" Tenney grinned.

Patiently Nate proceeded to disillusion him, and while he was doing it the Tenney head wagged understanding. "Never did figger you'd be able to keep up steam like the Hensleys," he declared. "That's your father's blood. Very well, son. I'm glad to have the job."

"Miss Kershaw knows all about you—knows I've sent for you. There's a Miss Bachman staying with her at present. Tell her I suggested she send Miss Bachman back to Valley Center in this rented car of yours."

He gazed long and affectionately after the departing Rube Tenney and his brood. "Old Faithful," he soliloquized. "He doesn't suspect I bought him out of the sheep business and took a loss to do it. But it's worth it to have him back on the job—to be free of worry about that Kershaw girl and her finances—and mine. Fine joke on Rube and me if she takes a notion to fire him—for a woman's reason!"

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When Silas Babson returned to Valley Center he brought with him three legal documents, all undated. One was a petition to the county board of supervisors for permission to form the Forlorn Valley Irrigation district; another was a formal application to the state water commission requesting the allocation to the Forlorn Valley Irrigation district of the flood or freshet water of Eden Valley creek; the third was the articles of incorporation of the district.

The attorneys he had consulted, Messrs. Brooks, Gagan and Brooks had agreed with him that, under the circumstances, his strategy was excellent, but had taken occasion to warn him that if Nate Tichenor and Lorraine Kershaw should decide to oppose his proposition seriously he would realize he had a fight on his hands before he got through with them.

Mr. Gagan's view of the legal aspects of the situation gave Babson little comfort. The attorney said:

"Under legislation recently enacted a state water commission has been appointed and this commission has control of the so-called unappropriated waters in all the streams in this state. There are, undoubtedly, billions of gallons of so-called unappropriated water in Eden Valley creek, and there is no doubt but that the state water commission will grant the petition of the Forlorn Valley Irrigation district for the allocation to it of these so-called unappropriated waters.

"As I understand your situation, if you can get your machinery in operation to enter a condemnation suit before Tichenor sells his dam site to this power company you suspect of having an interest in it, and before the Kershaw girl sells her lake site to the same power company, you will, by the filing of that suit, automatically ruin the aspirations of your competitor, and you may safely accept my assurance that you can win such a condemnation suit. However, what the proposed irrigation district will have to pay Tichenor and Miss Kershaw for these properties is, of course, a matter for a jury to decide. Your irrigation district will have to pay the price within thirty days or forfeit forever its right to acquire the lands."

Babson nodded his comprehension and the attorney continued: "Your first choice of an impounding dam is now owned by Tichenor and the lake site by Miss Kershaw. If these properties are sold to the power company, being a public service utility, cannot be disturbed in its possession by another similar corporation. You understand that point clearly?"

Again Babson nodded.

"We will assume that this is exactly what will come to pass. You will understand that in the position the power company will occupy, it will not have to purchase or condemn any water rights from Tichenor and Miss Kershaw. The Department of the Interior, which has jurisdiction over the public domain, will doubtless make no objection to the impounding of water by the power company, but in the event that settlers should in the future file homesteads on the infertile lands just below the power company's dam, the power company will be forced to let such settlers on lands riparian to the old channel of the stream have their fair share of the water."

"That is a contingency which will never occur, Mr. Gagan. Those waste lands, even with irrigation, will never attract anybody."

"We will assume you have the correct viewpoint. We have already assumed that you will not be able to acquire the Tichenor dam site and the Kershaw lake site. Now, have you an alternative lake site? Unless you have, just hand us a check for the cost of this interview and forget your irrigation project."

Babson drew a sheet of paper toward him and made a rough sketch of Eden Valley and the surrounding country. "This portion of the valley, which is occupied by Tichenor and the Kershaw ranches, is usually referred to as the Pan," he explained. "This narrow canyon at the head of the Pan is known as the Handle. By cutting a canal through a pass in the hills on the western boundary of Forlorn Valley and installing our flood-gate there, the water can be led from this natural reservoir by easy gradient along the northern base of the hills that form the southern buttress of Forlorn Valley and separate it from Eden Valley. Thence laterals from this main canal will lead the water over some thirty thousand acres of Forlorn Valley. There is a 10 per cent slope."

"And your diversion dam would be in the public domain, eh? Have you sufficient political influence in Washington to induce the Department of the Interior to grant you permission to erect such a diversion dam, dig your main canal and impound your water in the public domain?"

Babson smiled. "I feel assured we can work that game through our local congressman and senator."

"Nathan Tichenor and Lorraine Kershaw," Gagan reminded him smilingly. "They own lands riparian to Eden Valley creek below the proposed diversion dam and may block your aspiration with the Department of Interior by claiming you are diverting water from riparian lands to non-riparian lands, to their signal loss and damage."

TO BE CONTINUED

JOHN BEHR PURCHASES LANE SERVICE STATION

We are happy to know that our good friend, John Behr, for many years an employee of the Standard Oil Company, has embarked in business for himself, and has purchased the well-known gasoline filling station—Lane's Service—at Twenty-third and Barret Avenues. Success in your new undertaking, John.

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EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES ON PULLMAN HILL

Councilwoman Mattie A. Chandler brought the invitation, on behalf of Rev. C. Meryl Bish, to the council to attend Easter Sunrise Services on Pullman Hill.

This service, modeled after the San Francisco services on Mount Davidson, used to be held on Nicholl Knob in Point Richmond but has been transferred to Pullman Hill since the city erected a cross and put up lights there.

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COMMENT

By the Editor

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over 450 of whom think enough of us to pay for their Progress. More than anything else we would appreciate help from our two daily newspapers, but we do not think we will receive it for one reason.

Fact No. 4.—For many years—at least since Parr came to town—both daily papers receive an advertising appropriation which totals an average of over $2,000 per year. This comes to them from the Richmond Chamber of Commerce which in turn is donated $2,000 by the council—from taxpayers money out of the city treasury! For WHY, we ask? Do the taxpayers want to pay taxes to be advertised TO, or do they not? You ask them, I'm tired!

At The Richmond Theatre

Tonight, "Turn Back the Clock" and Ralph Bellamy in "Air Mail." Saturday, Cecil B. DeMille's "This Day and Age" and "The Ninth Guests." Sun.-Mon., Alice Brady in "Broadway to Hollywood" and "Speed Wings." Tues.-Wed., "Fury of the Jungle" and "Mary Stevens, M. D." Thurs.-Fri., "Pilgrimage" and "Cross Country Cruise."

British Museum Rule

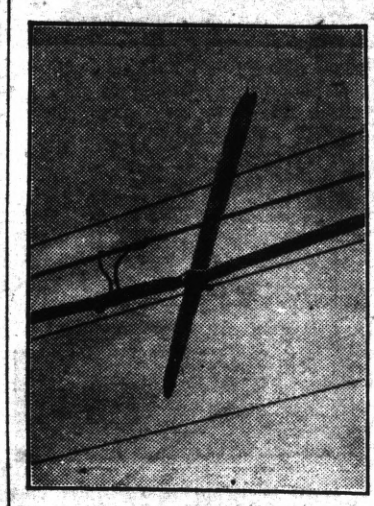
When a specimen has been accepted for exhibition in the British museum by the trustees, it cannot afterward be taken out of the building without an act of parliament.

Leading Ailments

According to health statistics, neuritis, lumbago, sciatica and similar illnesses incapacitate more men and women for their daily work than any other ailments.

Assuming that every stockholder of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company represents a family of four persons, the "City of Tel. and Tel." has a population of more than 2,700,000, or greater than that of any city in the United States except New York and Chicago.

What a Wind!



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BEDTIME STORY

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

A DOUBLE SCARE

Blacky the Crow sat in the Big Hickory tree with his head cocked on one side, as he looked far across the Green Meadows to where a familiar figure was just turning out of the Long Lane which comes down from Farmer Brown's. That familiar figure was Farmer Brown's boy. Blacky had known him ever since he could remember.

"Times have changed," thought Blacky. "Times certainly have changed a whole lot. Farmer Brown's boy is different. The time was when I always looked first thing to see if he had a gun with

Blacky Doesn't Believe in Taking Any Unnecessary Risks.

him. He used to try to fool me about that gun, but he never did. These days I never have to think about a gun, so far as he is concerned. I wish that all the rest of the two-legged creatures in this world were like him. It certainly would make it a whole lot easier for us Crows in corn-sprouting time. But then it would take a whole lot of fun out of life, too," Blacky grinned wickedly. "It certainly would be tame and no fun at all if there were no terrible guns to watch out for."

Farmer Brown's boy turned out of the long lane onto the Green Meadows and headed straight across towards the Big Hickory tree and the Smiling Pool. Blacky continued to watch him with the very lively interest which he always takes in whatever Farmer Brown or Farmer Brown's boy may happen to be doing.

As he strode along through the meadow grass, he was whistling. He usually is whistling when he is outside the house. So far as Blacky could see, Farmer Brown's boy hadn't a care in the world. Suddenly, without any warning at all, Farmer Brown's boy broke off his whistle with a yell. He jumped as if he had been stung and, reaching over, slapped at one leg.

Blacky the Crow sat up suddenly, and his bright eyes sparkled. It was perfectly plain to Blacky that Farmer Brown's boy had had a scare of some kind. Blacky's eyes are very keen. There is very little that they miss. But look as he would, Blacky couldn't see a single thing which could possibly have frightened Farmer Brown's boy.

Blacky spread his wings and flew over toward Farmer Brown's boy. Although he wasn't afraid, or at any rate wouldn't admit that he was, he flew high. Blacky does not believe in taking any unnecessary risks. Safety first is Blacky's motto.

As he flew over Farmer Brown's boy, Blacky moved as slowly as he could, and his sharp eyes searched all around in the grass for something which might have frightened Farmer Brown's boy. Not a thing was to be seen. By this time Farmer Brown's boy was sitting down. With one hand he was holding to one leg just above the knee, and with the other he was rolling up the leg of his trousers. More than this, Blacky could not see, because you know he could not stand still in the air. To this day he does not know what happened.

What did happen was this: When Nimble Heels the Jumping Mouse was awakened from his dreams, it was by the approach of Farmer Brown's boy. In his fright he jumped blindly, not looking to see where he was going; and without meaning to at all, he jumped right up inside the trouser's leg of Farmer Brown's boy. It is a question which was the most startled—Nimble Heels to find himself in such a strange place, or Farmer Brown's boy. It was a double scare. Do you wonder that Farmer Brown's boy jumped and yelled?

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"Sea Porcupine"

The "sea porcupine" has a peculiar system of locomotion. It has literally thousands of sucker-like feet, which are hollow and attached to tubes within its shell. It moves by forcing water through the tubes and into the particular "feet" which it wishes to use. When they are out of use they are contracted by withdrawing the water. Being a radically symmetrical animal, the creature can move with equal ease in any direction. It has no head—that is, he development of its nervous system and the direction of its locomotion is not set in a forward direction, as is the case with vertebrates and insects.

First Shaker Community

The first Shaker (Shaking Quaker) community west of the Alleghenies was organized in 1805 at Union Village, Ohio. This community now ceases to exist. A branch society was organized at North Union in 1821, but was dissolved in 1889, and now only the name—Shaker Heights—remains.

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For Spring Sports

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"Tag End" Dresses

New "tag end" dresses, designed along tailored lines with long skirts for the cocktail and dinner hours, add a novel note to the 1934 fashion displays.

"Averse" and "Adverse"

Averse, from the Latin aversus, alienated, is derived from avertere, to turn away, and is applicable only to beings of consciousness and will, and that in reference to their inclinations and tastes. We are adverse to that which we disapprove, but averse to that which we dislike. We are averse to what is opposed to our reason, or to that which is uncongenial to our tastes. We are averse also to entering upon such courses or taking such steps as we may feel to be objectionable on any account whatsoever. In addition, we are averse to actions, conduct, or occupations that are foreign to our nature, or to which we do not take. Few cats are averse to fish. —Literary Digest.

Size of the Puma

The puma or mountain lion is not a very large animal compared to other wild cats. It measures about 7 to 8 feet in total length, including the tail, and a full-grown specimen weighs about 200 pounds, and stands not more than 3 feet at the withers.

Golfers' Speedy Swing

Most golfers swing their club at the ball at the rate of 80 to 100 miles an hour if readings of a photo-cell arrangement made to record such things are reliable.

Little Brother Wants to Know

By ANNE CAMPBELL

Little Brother on the porch
Heard Big Brother making plans;
Hiking trips and dancing parties!
Great big talk just like a man's!

And when silence fell at last,
How we smile at one another,
When we heard Small Brother ask:
"When will I be people, Mother?"

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First Prince of Wales

The first prince of Wales was Edward, son of Edward I, king of England, who was born at Carnarvon, Wales, in 1307, during his father's residence in Wales. The king is said to have won the favor of the Welsh people by telling them that he would give them a prince who could not speak a word of English.

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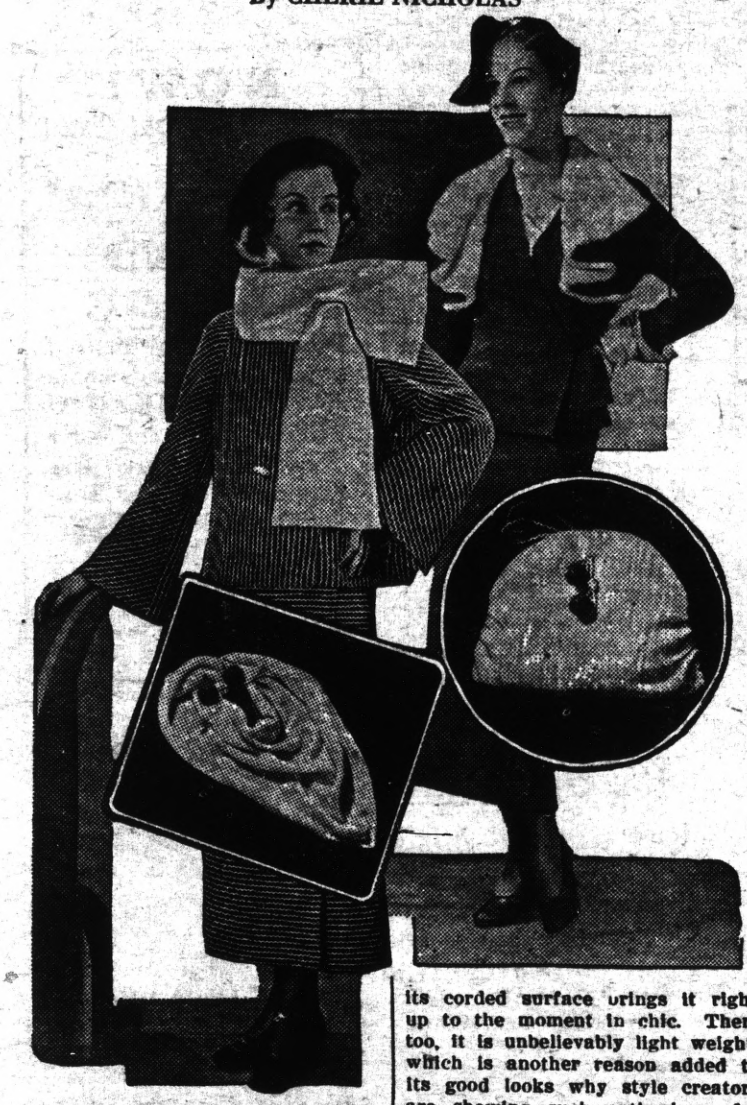
By CHERIE NICHOLAS



TO MOST women there is nothing more flattering than a dash of white to enliven the costume, be it either in the form of fetching little trimming details or worn in an accessory way. Wherefore, the prospects are that the fair sex will be appearing at its loveliest during the coming months, seeing that the new suits, frocks and ensembles are being prettified with the most winsome white accents creative genius can devise.

There are so many phases of the white vogue to be considered, one scarcely knows where to begin to tell the story. For instance, there are the frothy little necklines which are making even the simplest spring daytime print and crepe, likewise sheer woolen frocks, take on infinite charm. Masses of flutings, ruchings and fine pleatings of sheerest organdies, swisses, mousselines and nets make it seem as if milady's spring-hatted head was rising from out a halo of billowy whiteness. Lace fixings, too, are lavished about throat, shoulders and arms as if to tell an admiring world that fashions, this season, are going decidedly feminine. Then there are the new lace and net jabot blouses, it is indeed a winsome touch of white which they are contributing to present-day modes.

In response to this hue and cry for white the new suits are being adorably trimmed with details of dainty white fur or perhaps topped with neckpiece of snow-white fur. A very attractive suit which experts to go stepping in the gay springtime is shown to the left in the picture. The material which fashions this costume is a cord-tucked rabbit woolen in black and white. This fabric, with rabbit fur woven into it, is very soft to the touch and its corded surface brings it right up to the moment in chic. Then, too, it is unbelievably light weight, which is another reason added to its good looks why style creators are showing such enthusiasm for these weaves. The white galyak scarf adds a touch of infinite chic. Its flyaway lines take their cue from the much discussed airplane and wing effects. The hiplength box-jacket with swagger saddle shoulder is a high-style note. With its horizontal use of the striping the modish wrap-around skirt contrasts pleasantly with the vertical and horizontal stripes of the jacket.

Rippling revers of ermine, a white ribbed satin blouse together with a patrician styling makes the suit to the right an outstanding number. The manner in which the jacket fastens with a tie of self fabric is characteristic of new fashion trends. The hat with a forward movement to the brim has made its entry into the millinery realm.

And now we want to be telling you about the clever bag and scarf ensemble shown below to the right in the picture. It is made of white vel de lux, which is none other than the handsomest crinkled white velvet eyes ever beheld, and give ear to this—it's washable! Comes in colors, too, does this new summer velvet. You can wear the soft drapery triangular scarf in many effective ways. Fasten it to the front and the scarf drops to the back between the shoulders in the new monk-hood lines which designers are so widely featuring this season. Reverse the order of things by buttoning this scarf at the back and presto! you have the fashionable draped cowl neckline.

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Beau Brummell

The real name of Beau Brummell was George Bryan Brummell. He was a splendid spendthrift, at one time a man of wealth, a dresser in exquisite taste, and the arbiter of fashion among the courtiers of the prince of Wales, with whom he was an intimate. Brummell was born in 1778. Early in life he managed to make the acquaintance of the prince and from that time his star was in the ascendancy. He had a fortune, which he spent lavishly. He maintained an extravagant establishment in London until his last penny was gone. For some time he lived on credit. Then, one by one, his friends deserted him. The prince turned against him, and he was obliged to flee to France in order to escape arrest for debt. After some years in wretchedness his mind failed him and he died in a hospital for mendicants in 1840.

North American Bears

There are three well defined types of bears in North America other than the polar bear which inhabits the coasts of the Arctic ocean. The big brown bears, which are the largest, are found only in Alaska. The two types found in the United States are the grizzlies and the black bears. The last are the only American bears which climb trees, the other types being too large and heavy.

WEAR FLOWERS

By CHERIE NICHOLAS

With the return of feminine elegance and charm, women are again wearing real flowers. A single orchid secure in one of the very new and practical tube pins is the smart thing to wear on the shoulder of your chic boucle suit, as photographed in the picture herewith. Orchids should always be worn stems down. With tailored clothes the small cypripedium or lady-slipper orchid is correct and ultra. What could be lovelier for formal occasions than a beautiful corsage of orchids, the aristocrat of the flower world? For evening, a corsage of two or three orchids simply tied with ribbon matching the flowers or stems is in high fashion.

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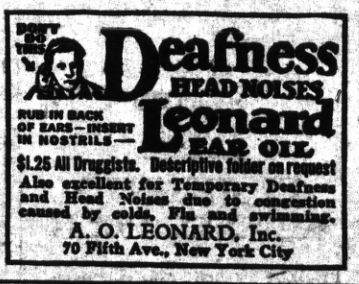

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POLITICS AND PERSONALITIES

One of the things most puzzling to a spectator at political performances is that most often those players who act in a violent and belligerent manner when political principles are involved are off the stage the best of friends. Some of the strongest personal friendships in Washington today are between those who debate bitterly in Congress over party or other political disagreements.

Sometimes, however, the smaller fry are not big enough to separate personal from political enmity; and then the regrettable needlessly happens.

One's personal life is one's own business—unless so flagrant as to bring criticism upon the government itself—and anyone in public life must realize that approval or criticism can only be just when based on one's public acts "in the record." Race, creed, sex, social position, etc., are beside the point in politics; and from these neither adantage nor hindrance should be expected by those in public life.

Druids Picnic Planned

Point Richmond Grove of Druids will hold their annual picnic this year at La Honda Bowl on July 22nd. Plans were started at the last meeting of the order, when Joe Feliciana was named chairman, to be assisted by Charles Cerridono. Albert Brignone, noble arch, presided.

Smith-Hughes Act of 1917

The Smith-Hughes Act of 1917 provides for federal co-operation with the states in the promotion of vocational education. The federal board of vocational education operates under this and similar subsequent acts.

Location of Lapland

Lapland is not a separate political entity, but it is a region embracing about 150,000 square miles in northwest Europe, lying partly in Norway, Sweden and Soviet Russia

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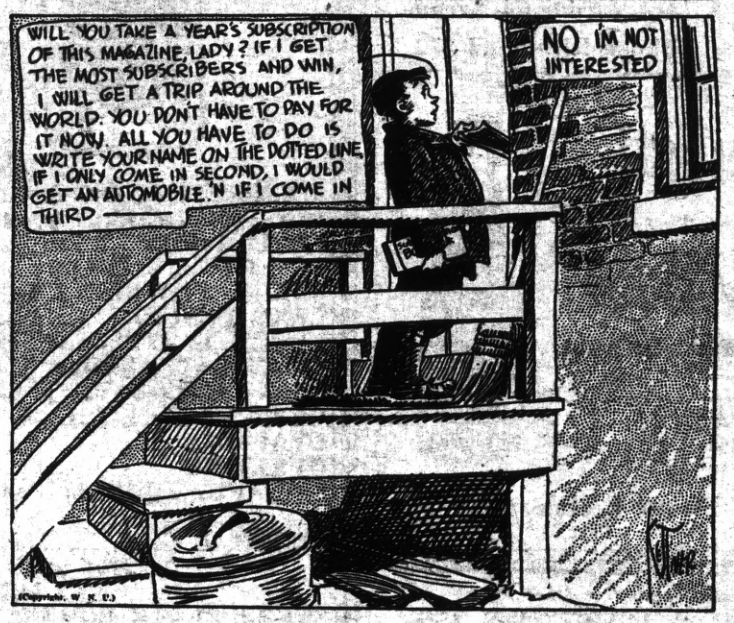

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Election

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largely divided on a pro-Hughes or anti-Hughes basis.

It would seem reasonable to suppose that Al will be returned safely to office; and Bob Collins, though an appointed member, is the other incumbent which of course gives him an edge on the others. But eGorge Degnan has a considerable group of solid, independent suporters behind him; and anyone who figures Charlie St. John isn't going to run strong will be sadly fooled. And the same statement goes for Robert Cox, Frank Shubat, and Mrs. Schwartz of Kensington Park.

At this writing it is anybody's race. And don't forget to vote next Friday.

"CABBAGES AND KINGS"

Talk about the high cost of living, Fred Brewen went out on the dam road the other day with three nickels and brought back three cabbages that entirely filled his truck. When Mike Corr brought us in the biggest potoato—100 pounds some time ago we thought THAT was beyond competition. But Fred's mammoth cabbage just about put it in the shade. Los Angeles paper please copy!

Evolution's Problems

Botanists feel the difficulties of the inquiry into the exact methods of evolution more today than they did 70 years ago, when evolution was first promulgated.

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Les Scarcella, local baseball flash, will leave soon to train for the Cincinnati Reds at my old home town of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Luck to you, Les, and we know you will make good at the old slogan which I remember was sewed on the team's shirts there: "We can, we will, BartlesVILLE."

Point Ticket For County Offices Is Rumor

What's this we hear about the Point Richmond revelers going to run Frank Ceridono for Sheriff; Howard Knight for Distirct Attorney; John Casey for Tax Collector; Jim McCormick for Treasurer; Jack Chasseur for Clark; and Ed Meurer for Coroner!!! It sounds—well, it sounds!

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CLAMS, Trupak, Fancy Kenmore, 5 oz. can, 2 for 25c
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MINCED CLAMS, Trupak ..... No. ½ can 17c
CRAB, Trupak ..... No. ½ can 28c
DOG FOOD, Gold Cup ..... 1 lb. can, 4 cans 25c
BAKING POWDER, I. G. A. ..... 1 lb. can 21c
CAKE FLOUR, I. G. A. ..... large pkg. 24c
SALT, I. G. A. Plain or Iodized .. 2 lb. pkg., 2 for 15c
CHOCOLATE, Baking, I. G. A., ... ½ lb. cake 15c
MILK CHOCOLATE, I. G. A. ..... ½ lb. cake 14c
CORN FLAKES, I. G. A. ..... 2 pkgs. 15c
OVALTINE ..... 14 oz. can 69c
OVALTINE ..... 6 oz. can 39c
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